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**RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT  
& PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 9, 2003, please re-open examination and enter the amendments to the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a two month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

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